HJR 7 -- Right to Hunt, Fish, and Farm

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Upon voter approval, this proposed constitutional amendment affirms the right of farmers and ranchers to engage in modern farming and ranching practices. No law which abridges the right of farmers and ranchers to employ agricultural technology and modern livestock production and ranching practices may be enacted.

The amendment also guarantees a citizen's right to hunt, fish, and harvest wildlife and the use of traditional devices and methods. The control, management, restoration, conservation, and regulation of the bird, fish, game, forestry, and all wildlife resources of the state and the administration of all laws regarding these actions is vested in a conservation commission as provided in Article IV, Section 40, of the Missouri Constitution. Public hunting and fishing must be a preferred means of managing and controlling wildlife. These provisions cannot be construed to modify any laws regarding trespassing or property rights.